

Takoma Park Recreation Department

Winter Basketball League

Last year, the Winter Basketball League served nearly 600 boys and girls' ages 5 – 12 yrs and grades K – 8 living in and around Takoma Park, Maryland. This program is brought to you by the Takoma Park Recreation Department in partnership with the Recreation Committee.

League Philosophy

The Winter Basketball League is a non-competitive, instructional, community league.

Program goals are to:

- introduce boys and girls to the fundamentals of basketball
- emphasize that playing the game and being a member of a team are more important than winning by not establishing league standings or having playoffs/championship games
- encourage personal improvement, sportsmanship, and fun
- provide comparable playing time for all participants
- meet new kids from community and surrounding areas

NOTE: REGISTRATION MAY CLOSE PRIOR TO DEADLINE: DECEMBER 7, 2012 - DUE TO DIVISIONS BEING FULL.

Please contact Bradley Williams at BradleyW@takomagov.org for more information about:

- Hiring for Seasonal Staff (Gym coordinators/Scorekeeper/Officials)
- Looking for Volunteer Referees for Grades: K, 1st, and 2nd
- High School students will receive SSL hours for their services

2013 Winter Basketball Schedules

Game Schedules, Practice Schedules, Closure Dates (Link will be available in December)

Division Information & Details

Kindergarten (Coed)

Coordinator: Eric Rasch EricR@takomagov.org (301) 891-7225

1st Grade (Coed)

Coordinator: Eric Rasch EricR@takomagov.org (301) 891-7225

2nd Grade (Coed)

Coordinator: Bradley Williams Bradleyw@takomagov.org (301) 891-7282

3rd & 4th Grade (Girls Division)

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3rd & 4th Grade (Boys Division)

Coordinator: Coordinator: Bradley Williams Bradleyw@takomagov.org (301) 891-7282

5th & 6th Grade (Girls Division)

Coordinator: Alvin Rathinam AlvinR@takomagov.org (301) 891-7100

5th & 6th Grade (Boys Division)

Coordinator: Alvin Rathinam AlvinR@takomagov.org (301) 891-7100

7th & 8th Grade (Coed)

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Ages

K* - 8th Grade

Registration Information

There are three ways you can register your child (ren).

1. Online Registration: activenet.active.com/takomaparkrecreation
2. Walk-in Registration:
Takoma Park Recreation Department (7500 Maple Ave, Takoma Park, MD. 20912)
Takoma Park Recreation Center* (7315 New Hampshire Ave, Takoma Park, MD. 20912) *Recreation Center accepts checks, money orders, or credit cards only.
3. Download and send your Registration Form to Takoma Park Recreation Department. 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912, Attn: Basketball. Payment must be included to be registered and postmarked by the Registration Deadline (December 7).

Registration will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis until the maximum number of registrations is reached per age group. After the registration deadline has passed, registrations will ONLY be taken for teams that have spaces available. The Takoma Park Recreation Department reserves the right to place participants on any team with available spaces.

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Registration

Player Registration Form

Fees

Takoma Park Residents Fee: \$60

Non-Resident Registration Fee: \$70

Scholarship Opportunity

Scholarship Registration: \$10

Scholarship opportunities are available to all Takoma Park Residents in need of assistance. This benefit is available to Takoma Park residents who can provide proof of enrollment in the Free or Reduced Meals program or similar financial assistance program.

Coaching Information

Volunteer coaches are always needed, training is provided.

→ **Mandatory Meeting: Required for all coaches. Meeting on Thursday, November 15th** at the **Takoma Park Recreation Center: 7315 New Hampshire Avenue**, Takoma Park, MD. 20912, **at 6:30 PM**. Packets and rule books will be handed out. All head coaches must complete a thorough, multi-state background check.

Volunteer Coaches must complete:

- Coaches Registration Form
- Background Consent Form
- Code of Ethics Form

Team Assignments: Coed divisions will reflect gender equity based on number of participants.

Special Requests: Requests must be made in writing and submitted to the Takoma Park Recreation Department league coordinator by November 30th, 2012. Every attempt will be made to accommodate special requests.

Team Rosters: Coaches will receive their team rosters and practice schedules on **December 14th, 2012**.

Calendar

9/01/12: Winter Basketball Registration opens

10/8/12: Fliers will be distributed to Takoma Park and surrounding schools

10/13/12: Annual Walk-in Registration Event hosted by the Recreation Committee. 11am – 1pm, Takoma Park Community Center

11/15/12: Mandatory Coaches Meeting at the Takoma Park Recreation Center located at 7315 New Hampshire Avenue, in Takoma Park. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

11/23/12: Two weeks before the *Registration Deadline

11/30/12: Deadline for special requests

12/4/12: Coaches Clinic (training is provided)

12/4/12: Coaches paperwork due

12/7/12: *Registration closes

After 12/7/12: Your child will be placed onto a waiting list. You will be notified if space becomes available.

12/14/12: Rosters and practice schedules completed. Coaches will begin contacting players with practice schedules and additional information about the league.

12/28/12: Game schedules will be posted online by 6:00 p.m.

1/7/13: Practice begins (Practice times are determined by gym availability and coach's schedule). Weekday practices will be 1 hour each week at the same time and location.

1/12/13: First game of the season (season is 8 weeks)

3/2/13: Last game of the season

3/9/13: Make-Up dates, only used if there are cancellations during the season.

Waiting List

Waiting list dates: 12/7/12 – 1/12/13 *or sooner depending on division. After the registration closes at midnight on 12/7/12, you will need to place your child on the waiting list. Waiting list applicants are placed in the order in which the registrations were received. We will call you directly if we are able to place your child.

Refund Policy

All refund requests (less an administrative fee of \$ 15.00) must be **made in writing by 1/5/13 (seven (7) working days prior to the first game on 1/12/13)**; after this date there will be no refunds given. Registrants assume the risk of changes in personal affairs or health.

Please direct written refund requests to Takoma Park Recreation Department, Attn: Administrative Assistant. 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912. Fax: 301.270.4094

If you have any questions please contact us at 301.891.7290.